

PATENT APPLICATION **Q56361**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Yoshikazu KANEKO, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/424,300

Confirmation No.: 7799

Filed: March 13, 2000

For: STEEL WIRE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Group Art Unit: 1775

Examiner: Andrew T. Piziali

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of three (3) months, extending the time for responding to the Final Office Action dated February 11, 2003, to and including August 11, 2003. An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 and a Notice of Appeal with appropriate fee are being filed concurrently herewith.

A check for the statutory petition fee of \$930.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all additional required fees (except the Issue Fee and/or the Publication Fee) to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is also enclosed.

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